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The small seeds, inclosed in the hard endocarp, have kernels of very good taste, like that of the well-known coconut (*Cocos nucifera*). If a way could be found of extracting these seeds without crushing them, there could undoubtedly be found ample use for them.

54669. *BUTIA CAPITATA SUBGLOBOSA* Beccari.

Fruit the size of ordinary cherries, of very light yellow color, red at the base, almost globose, as the name indicates; flesh nearly fiberless, of acidulous, sweetish flavor, but having a slightly bitter taste.

54670. *RAPHIOLEPIS UMBELLATA* (Thunb.) C. Schneid. Malaceæ.
(*R. japonica* Sieb. and Zucc.)

"Fresh seeds (berries) of a beautiful evergreen, very hardy bush which will, I think, thrive in the southeastern parts of the United States, at least as far as North Carolina." (*Proschowsky*.)

54671 and 54672. ORYZA SATIVA L. Poaceæ.**Rice.**

From Kagoshima, Japan. Seeds presented by K. Tamari, Kagoshima Imperial College of Agriculture and Forestry. Received December 8, 1921.

54671. Scented rice from Hioki County.

54672. Scented rice from Kimotsuki County.

54673 and 54674. MUSA spp. Musaceæ.**Banana.**

From Honolulu, Hawaii. Shoots presented by Willis T. Pope, horticulturist, Agricultural Experiment Station. Received November 28, 1921.

54673. *MUSA FEHI* Bert.

"*Tahitian, Fehi, or Barabara*. The shoots of this variety are very long and slim while young. A red, upright-fruited variety in Hawaii." (*Pope*.)

54674. *MUSA PARADISIACA SAPIENTUM* (L.) Kuntze.

"*Honduranian Common*, known as the *Brazilian banana* in Honolulu." (*Pope*.)

A large commercial variety of good quality.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 38923.

54675. DIOSCOREA CAYENENSIS Lam. Dioscoreaceæ.**Yellow Guinea yam.**

From Port Antonio, Jamaica, British West Indies. Tubers presented by E. R. Sasscer, United States Department of Agriculture. Received December 14, 1921.

"Yam taken from the cargo of the American steamship *Bella*, from Port Antonio, Jamaica. The specimen was collected at Baltimore, Md." (*Sasscer*.)

"A yellow-fleshed yam which produces individual tubers up to 2 pounds or more in weight. The flavor of this yam is less delicate than that of some, and the flesh is quite firm, but the texture is good and the color attractive." (*R. A. Young*.)

54676. SOLANUM BULLATUM Vell. Solanaceæ

From Lavras, Minas Geraes, Brazil. Seeds presented by Benjamin H. Hunnicutt, director, Instituto Evangelico, Escola Agricola de Lavras, through C. C. Knight, vice director. Received December 29, 1921.

A South American plant of considerable interest for experimental use as a forage plant because of its large percentage of protein.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 51802.